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SUBJECT: PRG ISSUE AT LOW CONFERENCE

1. IN DRAMATIC TIE VOTE (41-41) FEBRUARY 4 CONFERENCE
REJECTED PROPOSAL TO CONSIDER SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF
ALGERIAN RESOLUTION FOR INVITATION TO PRG ON BASIS MAJORI-
TY VOTE. AUSTRALIA AND INDONESIA VOTED FOR THIS PROPOSAL
(I.E. AGAINST U.S. POSITION). CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN SWISS
FONMIN GRABER SUBSEQUENTLY RULED AS RESULT THAT RULE 32
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(REQUIRING TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY TO REOPEN DISCUSSION) AP-

PLIED. WE EXPECT THAT SOVIETS AND OTHER PRG SUPPORTERS MAY PRESS CHALLENGE TO CHAIRMAN'S RULING DURING FEBRUARY 5 SESSION.

2. WE SEE NO REASON WHY AUSTRALIA AND INDONESIA (WHICH WERE ONLY EAST ASIAN NON-COMMUNIST COUNTRIES TO VOTE FOR ALGERIAN RESOLUTION) COULD NOT VOTE TO UPHOLD CHAIR IN ANY CHALLENGE ON RULE 32 TOMORROW OR COULD NOT AT LEAST ABSTAIN ON THIS ISSUE. REQUEST YOU RAISE THIS URGENTLY WITH YOUR RESPECTIVE HOST GOVERNMENTS, EMPHASIZING THAT WE ARE NOT ASKING THEM TO CHANGE THEIR EARLIER SUBSTANTIVE VOTE BUT RATHER TO UPHOLD CHAIRMAN'S RULING. KISSINGER

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